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Hon. Commissioner of Patents
And Trademarks
Washington, D.C., 20231

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the September 20, 2005, Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants have concurrently herewith submitted a petition to extend the time for a reply by three months, up to and including today, January 20, 2006, and have authorized the Commissioner to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0725 the applicable fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(iii). Consequently, this reply is timely submitted.

REMARKS

RESTRICTION

The Examiner has required a restriction in the above-identified application under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following nine groups:

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